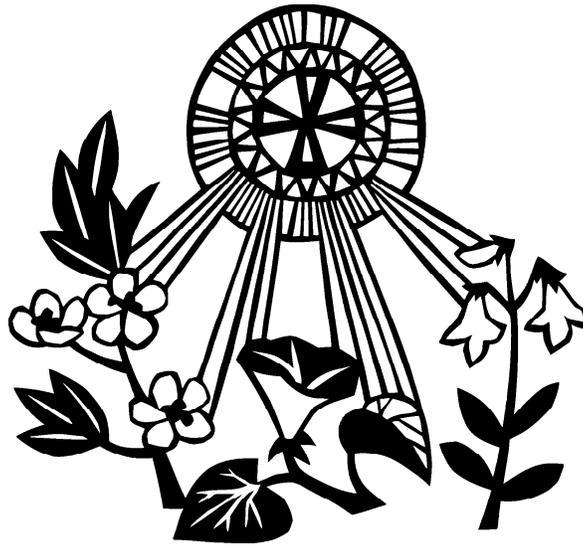


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*Holy Communion Setting Three
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 21, 2017—11:00am*

Materials for worship are found in this bulletin or in the red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*. Page numbers, such as “p. 172,” refer to the small page numbers in the front of the book. Hymn numbers, marked with a # sign, refer to the large numbers in the back of the book.

At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Believing in the real presence of Christ, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church practices eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to commune here. Receive the bread first, then the common cup or individual glasses containing (red) wine or (white) grape juice. Gluten, yeast, dairy, egg, soy, nut, corn free communion wafers are available in covered glass dishes on stands near the front of each communion station. Place one in the palm of your hand, cover with the other hand (palm down) and your hand will be blessed during distribution of communion. Those desiring not to commune may fold their hands to receive a blessing.

+GATHERING+

Welcome

Announcements

Prelude

Who Will Keep God's Lambs?

arr. Greg Gilpin

*Who will feed the little lambs for the Lord today?
Lead them to green pastures or find them when they stray?
Who will show them quiet streams with a loving hand?
Who will protect the fold of God? Who will keep God's lambs?*

I will feed the little lambs for the Lord today . . .

*Jesus said to feed his sheep while he is away.
Will you take your rod and staff, guard his sheep today?*

*Will you feed the little lambs for the Lord today . . .
-John Parker*

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

**We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia”

Hymn #364

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

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Canticle of Praise

“This Is the Feast”

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Prayer of the Day

Please be seated.

+WORD+

Children’s Message

First Reading

Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in right-

eousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

The assembly may respond **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody

#66:8-20

Sung responsively.

Bless our | God, you peoples;
let the sound of | praise be heard.

**Our God has kept us a- | mong the living
and has not allowed our | feet to slip.**

For you, O God, have | tested us;
you have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried.

**You brought us in- | to the net;
you laid heavy burdens up- | on our backs.**

You let people ride over our heads; we went through | fire and water,
but you brought us out into a place | of refreshment.

**I will enter your house | with burnt offerings
and will pay | you my vows—**

those that I promised | with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I | was in trouble.

**I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the | smoke of rams;
I will give you ox- | en and goats.**

Come and listen, all you | who believe,
and I will tell you what God has | done for me.

**I called out to God | with my mouth,
and praised the Lord | with my tongue.**

If I had cherished evil | in my heart,
the Lord would | not have heard me;

**but in truth | God has heard me
and has attended to the sound | of my prayer.**

Blessed be God, who has not reject- | ed my prayer,
nor withheld unfailing | love from me.

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22

Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited pa-

tiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The assembly may respond **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel

John 14:15-21

Announcement: The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the disciples: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

Conclusion: The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Will Rose

Hymn of the Day

“We Know that Christ Is Raised”

Hymn #449

Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

+MEAL+

Offering

Somebody's Knocking

James E. Clemens

*Somebody's knocking at your door.
Somebody's knocking; why don't you answer?
Why don't you answer the knock? Why don't you open the door?
Jesus is waiting for you!
Come on, sinner, let the light shine in!
Somebody's knocking at your door.*

*Could it be Jesus at your door?
Could it be Jesus? Why don't you let him in?
Why don't you answer the knock . . .*

*You know it's Jesus at your door.
You know it's Jesus; he's here to set you free!
Why don't you answer the knock . . .*

Setting the Table

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"
Verse 1

Hymn #461

Prayer after Offering

Great Thanksgiving

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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**

Communion

Music during distribution, as time allows:

"Lamb of God"

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"Eat this Bread"

Hymn #472

"Bread of Life from Heaven"

Hymn #474

"Now the Green Blade Rises"

Hymn #379

Prayer after Communion

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Blessing

Hymn

"This Joyful Eastertide"

Hymn #391

Dismissal

Postlude

Thank you for worshipping with us!

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